Unit Highlights

Visitors to this Ranger District can enjoy the picturesque setting at Stuart Lake Complex, hike or bike along the Glenn Emery Trail, ride an ATV on Camp Livingston Multiple Use Trails, or hunt during the fall and winter days in the Catahoula NWMP. Viewing wildlife at Iatt Lake Observation Pier or at the Catahoula Butterfly Garden is also available.

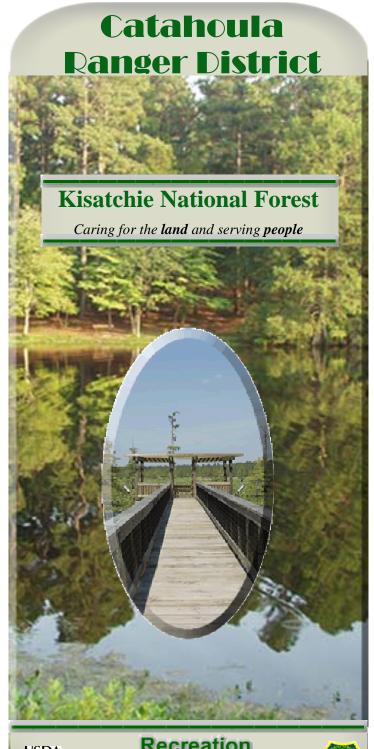
Surrounding Areas

Stuart Lake was originally created as an irrigation reservoir for the Civilian Conservation Corps-constructed Stuart Nursery. This peaceful 5-acre lake is surrounded by a mixed pine/hardwood forest setting. Recreation opportunities offered at Stuart Lake include picnicking, swimming, fishing, trail hiking and biking, an open-air amphitheatre and a separate group picnic shelter. Trails include the Glenn Emery Hiking Trail and 2 ATV trails at the Camp Livingston Multi-Use Trail System. The National Catahoula Wildlife Management Preserve is located on both the Catahoula and the Winn Ranger Districts.

For More Information

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Recreational Information

General

This Unit encompasses 121,500 acres. Because it is situated near Pineville, Ball, and Tioga, it is a very popular district for north Rapides and Grant Parishes.

Developed Recreation

The Unit administers one developed recreation complex that is a designated fee area; Stuart Lake Recreation Complex. User fees are as follows:

Day-Use Fees:

\$3.00 / vehicle \$35-75.00 for group shelter, call for reservations

Camping Fees:

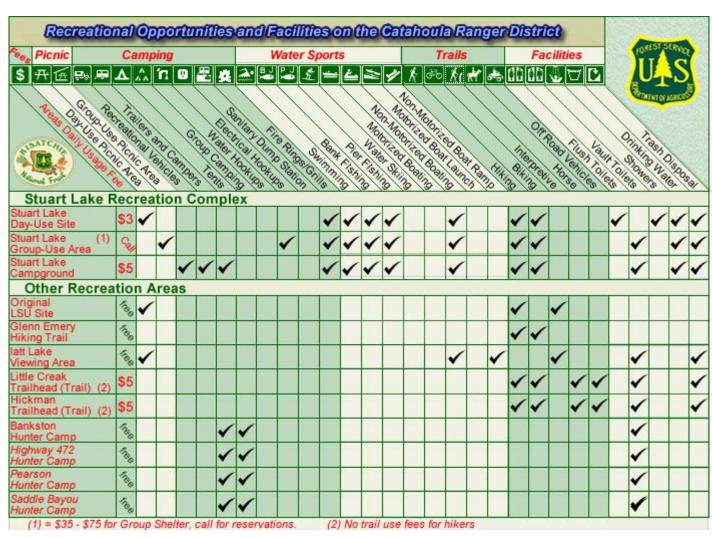
Single Unit - \$5.00 / night (checkout time: 2:00 p.m.)

Dispersed Recreation

Because of its close proximity to the Alexandria/Pineville area, the Catahoula has become a very popular area for various hunting opportunities. State licenses and regulations apply, along with an additional management preserve permit issued by the forest.

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The Catahoula Butterfly and Humming Bird Garden

Volunteers are in high demand to maintain and expand the beautiful butterfly and hummingbird garden near the Catahoula Ranger District Office. To be a part of this effort, please contact Catahoula Ranger District Biologist Emlyn Smith at (318) 765 3554.

Iatt Lake Viewing Area

Visitors to latt Lake Viewing Area can venture over the lily-covered portion of the lake on the extended boardwalk. Migratory birds, beavers, and other resident animals can often be viewed from the platform. The area is also equipped with a canoe launch, picnic tables, and restrooms.

